

OWENS, Phillip Drayton [R]—(Dist. No. 5, *Pickens Co.*)—Businessman; residing in Easley; *b.* 1951 in Pickens; *s.* Fred William and Lillian Parsons Owens; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1973; *m.* Lynn Catherine Southerland, 2 children, Lori Jill and Kathryn Diana; *Bd. mem.*, Pickens Co. YMCA, 1995–05, Pres., 1997–98, 2007–; First Union/Wachovia Bank Upstate Adv. Bd., 1998–02; Carolina First Bank Adv. Bd., 2002–07; *mem.*: Greater Easley Chamber of Commerce, 1993–98, Chm., 1994, 2001–04; Pickens Co. Salvation Army Bd., 1995–98; Easley Econ. Dev. Corp., 1997–00; Pickens Co. Manufacturers Assn., 1996–97; YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly, 2000–02; Palmetto Baptist Med. Center Foundation Bd. *mem.*, 1999–02, 2008–; Rotarian; *mem.*, St. Andrews United Methodist Church; prev. serv. in House July 2, 2002–09.



PARKER, Steve [R]—(Dist. No. 37, *Spartanburg Co.*)—Businessman; residing at 330 Farm Lake Rd., Boiling Springs; *b.* May 27, 1951 in Miss.; *s.* the late Luther and the late Gracie Schrimshire Parker; *g.* Newberry Coll., B.A., 1973; Converse Coll., MAT, 1975; Univ. of S.C., Ed. Spec., 1978; 1976 *m.* Rita Kay Hammett, 2 children, Christy and Kevin; owner, Steve Parker Painting and Sealcoating; former school bd. *mem.*, Spartanburg School Dist. Two; former Spartanburg Co. Councilman; charter *mem.*, Boiling Springs Kiwanis Club; founder, Boiling Springs Helping Hands Club; co-founder, SOLVE (Save Our Local Voice in Educ.) Com. to Stop School Dist. Consolidation; *mem.*, Boiling Springs First Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2009.





PARKS, Julia Anne [D]—(Dist. No. 12, Greenwood-McCormick Cos.)—Mortician/Funeral Dir., Parks Funeral Home/Licensed Real Estate Agent; *b.* July 1, 1955 in Greenwood; *d.* Julia (Arnold) Parks and the late James Lloyd Parks, Jr.; *g.* Gupton-Jones School of Mortuary Science, 1977; Johnson C. Smith Univ., B.S., 1976; single; mem.: Greenwood City Council, 1988–96;

Stop the Violence Com.; former mem.: COOL Bd.—Comm. Outreach Organized Learning; Budget Com. for United Way, 1996; Chamber of Commerce; Delta Sigma Theta Sor.; NAACP; Epsilon Nu Delta Mortuary Frat.; mem.: Organization of Concerned Citizens; Morris Chapel Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 1997, 1999–09.



PINSON, Lewis Eugene [R]—(Dist. No. 13, Greenwood Co.)—Comm. Relations Dir., Morningside Assisted Living; residing at 306 Plantation Dr., Greenwood; *b.* Nov. 2, 1949 in Greenwood; *s.* Thomas R. and Ruth P. Pinson; *g.* The Citadel, 1972; Liberty Univ. and Clemson Univ., graduate work; Aug. 3, 1974 *m.* Carol V. Metger, 3 children, Brian, Emily, and Neal; Greenwood Co. Council, 1976–82; Greenwood Co. Veterans' Affairs Off., 1983–02; Greenwood School Dist. No. 50, 1986–96; mem. and Deacon, South Main Street Baptist Church; mem.: Retired Officers' Assn.; Greater Greenwood Citadel Club; Citadel Alumni Assoc.; Amer. Legion Post No. 20 (past Comdr.); Voiture 435 40 & 8 (past Chef De Gare); Greenwood Retired Guardsmen; Master Mason, Masonic Lodge No. 358; past Cub Scout Pack Leader, Pack 910; past mem.: Upper Savannah Council of Govt.; GLEAMNS Human Resource Comm.; VC, Greenwood Co. Legis. Delegation; 2003 Outstanding Legislator, S.C. Assn. of Counties; Crossroads Crisis Pregnancy Bd., 2006–, VC, 2008; Western Piedmont Educ. Consortium, Outstanding Legislator, 2007; 2009 Gold Medallion Award by Piedmont Tech. Coll.; mil. serv.: 1972–73, USA, 2nd Lt., Lt. Col., SCNG, retired; prev. serv. in House 2003–09.

PITTS, Edward Holland, Jr. "Ted" [R]—(Dist. No. 69, Lexington Co.)—Commercial Real Estate Broker; residing at 313 Lanham Springs Way, Lexington; *b.* Feb. 27, 1972 in Columbia; *s.* Ed H., Sr. and the late Anne Digby Pitts; *g.* Presbyterian Coll., B.S., 1994; June 12, 2004 *m.* Christina Reyes, 2 children, Edward H. III and Sara Anne; Football Letterman, Presbyterian Coll.; Lexington Chamber of Commerce; mem.: Rotary Club of Lexington; Certified Commercial Investment; graduate, Leadership Lexington Co.; graduate, Lexington Co. Sheriff's Citizens Academy; S.C. State Certified Commercial Investment Bd. mem.; Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church; mil. serv.: SCARNG; prev. serv. in House 2003–09.



PITTS, Michael Allen [R]—(Dist. No. 14, Abbeville-Greenwood-Laurens Cos.)—Retired Greenville Police; *b.* in Laurens; *s.* the late Joseph C., Jr. and the late Lois Lollis Pitts; *g.* Lander Univ., B.S., 1985; June 28, 1974 *m.* Susan W. Slay, 3 children, Nolan, Clifton, and Della; VC, Laurens Co. Council; Ex Council of NASC; life mem.: NRA; North Amer. Hunting Club; Gun Owners of S.C.; mem.: Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation; Natl. Wild Turkey Fed.; ALEC; Pres., Natl. Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC); Rabun Creek Baptist Church; mil. serv.: USAR; prev. serv. in House 2003–09.



RICE, Rex Fontaine [R]—(Dist. No. 26, Greenville-Pickens Cos.)—Businessman; residing in Easley; *b.* 1957; *s.* Frank Towers and Claire Fontaine Rice; 1982 *m.* Ruth Britts, 2 children, Toni and Meredith; Greenville Salvation Army Adv. Bd.; Easley Rotary Club; mem., Easley Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in House 1995–09.





RUTHERFORD, James Todd [D]—(Dist. No. 74, *Richland Co.*)—Atty.; residing at 2321 Lincoln St., Columbia; *b.* Oct. 10, 1970 in Columbia; *s.* Harry and Karen Rutherford; *g.* Howard Univ., B.A., 1992; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1996; *m.* Naida Harris, 1 child, J. Todd II “Ty”; Legis. Asst., Congressman Robin Tallon, 1992–93; Owner, 3 Tech Integrated Systems, 1993; Asst.

Solicitor/Special Prosecutor of Narcotic and Drug Cases, Fifth Solicitor’s Off., 1996–98; The Rutherford Law Firm, LLC, 1998–06; Owner, 803 Motorsports; Natl. Bd. mem., NAACP Special Contributions Fund; Bd. mem., Brookland Baptist Church; Comm. Credit Union; mem.: S.C. Bar Assn.; prev. serv. in House 1999–09.



SANDIFER, Bill [R]—(Dist. No. 2, *Oconee-Pickens Cos.*)—Businessman; residing at 112 Cardinal Dr., Seneca; *b.* Feb. 21, 1945 in Aiken; *s.* the late William Edward, Jr. and the late Frances Harley Sandifer; *g.* Cincinnati Coll. of Mortuary Science, 1965; Nov. 6, 1981 *m.* Sandra Prater, 4 children, Wes, Lori, Will, and Jennifer; Pres.: S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., 1987; S.C. State Bd. of Funeral

Serv., 1983; Seneca Chamber of Commerce, 1978; Chm., Bd. of Dirs.: Oconee Memorial Hosp., 1986–88; Fort Hill Natural Gas Authority, 1994; Hammer and Trowel Award by Home Builders Assn. of S.C., 1998; Natl. Rep. Legislator of the Year, 2000; Bd. of Dirs., Seneca Natl. Bank; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., 2000; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Cemetery Assn., 2002; Legis. Leadership Award, S.C. Tel. Assn., 2002; S.C. Guardian of Small Bus. Award, Natl. Fed. of Independent Bus., 2002; Asst. Majority Leader, 2002–04; Legis. Award by Amer. Legion, Dept. of S.C., 2003; Hall of Fame Award, Seneca Chamber of Commerce, 2004; 2003 Distinguished Serv. Award, Home Builders Assn. of Greenville; Manufactured Housing Inst. of S.C. Legislator of the Year, 2009; mil. serv.: SCARNG, 20 years, retired Maj.; prev. serv. in House 1995–09.

SCOTT, Timothy Eugene "Tim" [R]—(Dist. No. 117, *Charleston-Berkeley Cos.*)—Entrepreneur; residing at 8110 Sardis Court, North Charleston; *b.* Sept. 19, 1965 in Charleston; *s.* Ben, Sr., and Frances Scott; *g.* Charleston Southern Univ., 1988; single; Charleston Co. Council, 1995–08, Chm., 2007–08; Aviation Authority, 2007–08; Metro Chamber of Commerce, 2007–08; Council of Govts., 2007–08; Bd. of Trustees, Seacoast, 2001–08; Roper/St. Francis Hosp. Foundation, 2004–08; Natl. Adv. Bd., Co-Chm., Allstate, 2004–08; Bd. of Visitors, Charleston Southern Univ., 2003–08; Berkeley Chamber of Commerce, 2008; prev. serv. in House 2009.



SELLERS, Bakari T. [D]—(Dist. No. 90, *Bamberg-Barnwell-Orangeburg Cos.*)—residing at 4231 Voorhees Rd., Denmark; *b.* Sept. 18, 1984; *s.* Dr. Cleveland and Gwendolyn Sellers; *g.* Morehouse Coll., B.A., 2005; Univ. of S.C. Law School, J.D., 2008; single; Congressional Intern with Congressman Jim Clyburn, 2003; Mayoral Intern with Mayor Shirley Franklin, 2004; mem., Morehouse Coll. Bd. of Trustees, 2004–05; Student Govt. Assn., Pres., Morehouse Coll., 2004–05; mem., Obama for America, S.C. Steering Com., 2007–08; mem., St. Philip's Episcopal Church; prev. serv. in House 2007–09.



SIMRILL, J. Gary [R]—(Dist. No. 46, *York Co.*)—Pres. and CEO of Carolina Motorworks; residing at 1515 Alexander Rd., Rock Hill; *b.* May 29, 1966 in Rock Hill; *s.* T. Hugh, Jr. and Diane Belk Simrill; *g.* Winthrop Univ., B.S., 1991; Dec. 4, 1993 *m.* Mary Ruth Dobson, 3 children, Mallory Graham, Sarah Kate, and Joseph Dozier; first Rep. elected from Rock Hill; Del., Rep. State Convention, 1987, 1991, 1993, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2004; Chamber of Commerce; Kiwanis Intl.; Distinguished Serv. Award, S.C. Chap. of Natl. Fed. of the Blind; *Who's Who in Amer. Politics*; *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*; mem.,



Westminster Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in House 1993–09.



SKELTON, B. R. [R]—(Dist. No. 3, *Pickens Co.*)—Arbitrator/Mediator; Residential Contractor, Real Estate Broker; Professor *Emeritus* of Economics, Clemson Univ.; residing at 2962 Walhalla Hwy., Six Mile; *b.* Jan. 21, 1933 in Westminster; *s.* B. C. and Hattie Tallulah Vaughan Skelton; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.S., 1956, M.S., 1958; Duke Univ., Ph.D., 1964; Oct. 27, 1990 *m.* Vickie

Lynn Roach, 4 children, Ginger, Dana, Will, and John; mem.: Clemson City Council, 1971–74; Accommodations Tax Subcom., 1984–88; Pickens Co. Planning Comm., 1980's; Pickens Co. Econ. Dev. Alliance, 1996–02; Pickens Co. Transportation "C" Fund Comm., Chm., 1995–02; prev. serv. in House 2003–09.



SMITH, Donald C. "Don" [R]—(Dist. No. 83, *Aiken-Edgefield Cos.*)—Retired, Coll./Hosp. Admin.; residing at 176 Springwood Dr., N. Augusta; *b.* Feb. 21, 1938 in Augusta, Ga.; *s.* the late Carmell and Juanita Smith; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1962; Apr. 6, 1963 *m.* Linda Ellen Leitner, 3 children, Wendy S. Jacobs, Clarke, and Darryl C.; Bus. off.: First Natl. Bank of S.C., 1962–65; S.C. Natl. Bank, 1965–67; Med. Coll. of Ga., 1967–98; mem.: Bd. of Dirs., N. Augusta Exchange Club; Chm., Health Center Credit Union, 1995; N. Augusta City Council, 1997–00; Bd. of Dirs., N. Augusta, 2000; Bd. of Stewards, Grace United Methodist Church; mil. serv.: USA, active duty, 1959–60; USAR, 1960–65; prev. serv. in House May 23, 2000–09.

SMITH, Garry R. [R]—(Dist. No. 27, Greenville Co.)—Businessman; residing at 210 Foxhound Rd., Simpsonville; *b.* Mar. 4, 1957 in Aiken; *s.* J. Roland and Peggy Smith; *g.* Univ. of S.C.-Aiken, B.A., 1979; Univ. of S.C., M.P.A., 1983; Aug. 4, 1979 *m.* Brenda L. Harman, 2 children, Michael Grady and Dana Michelle; Pres., Amer. Soc. of Public Admin., S.C. Chap., 1988-90; Admin., Bamberg Co., 1988-92; Pres., S.C. Mgrs., Admin. & Supvrs., 1991-92; City Admin., Simpsonville, 1992-95; Chm., S.C. City and Co. Mgmt. Assn. Com. on City Legis. Issues, 1993-94; Chm., Greenville Co. Chief Admin. Off. Group, 1995; Pres., Simpsonville Rotary Club, 1997-98; Pres., Simpsonville United Methodist Men's Ministry, 2003; prev. serv. in House May 20, 2003-09.



SMITH, George Murrell, Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 67, Clarendon-Sumter Cos.)—Atty.; residing at 123 Conyers St., Sumter; *b.* May 15, 1968 in Florence; *s.* G. Murrell and Jody Hill Smith; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., 1990; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1993; Oct. 16, 2004 *m.* Macaulay White, 1 child, Mary Brown "Bee"; Young Young & Reiter, 1993-98; part-time Asst. Public Defender, 1995-98; Partner, Lee, Erter, Wilson, Holler & Smith, LLC, 1998-; owner, Reliable Med. Equipment; owner, Wild Wing Café; mem.: Jud. Com., 2001-, 1st VC, 2002-04; Criminal Laws Subcom. Chm., 2005-08; Comm. of Indigent Defense, 2005-; Sumter Co. Public Defender Corp. Bd., 1998-06, Chm., 2005-; mem., S.C. Mil. Base Task Force, 2009; Wofford Alumni Exec. Com., 2003-05; S.C. Bar Assn.; Sumter Co. Bar Assn.; Sumter Gallery of Art Bd., 2003-05; Sumter Palmetto Rotary Club, 1994-; Wilson Hall Alumni of the Year, 2003; Legislator of the Year Victim's Assistance Network, 2005; mem., First Presbyterian Church; prev. serv. in House 2001-09.





SMITH, James Emerson, Jr. [D]—(Dist. No. 72, *Richland Co.*)—Atty.; residing at 1718 Hollywood Dr., Columbia; b. Sept. 9, 1967 in Columbia; s. James E., Sr. and Nina (Nelson) Smith; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1990, J.D., 1995; Feb. 9, 1991 m. Mary Kirkland Thomas, 4 children, James Emerson III, Thomas Bridges, Paul Bradford, and Shannon Elizabeth; mem.: Trinity

Episcopal Cathedral & Church of the Apostles; mil. serv.: USAR, Jan. 1996–Aug. 1998; SCARNG, 1998–; active duty OEF Afghanistan, Feb. 2007–May 2008; prev. serv. in House 1997–09.



SMITH, J. Roland [R]—(Dist. No. 84, *Aiken Co.*)—Retired Rural Carrier/Minister/Businessman; residing in Langley; b. Feb. 26, 1933 in Aiken; s. Mae Bel Smith Craig; g. Universal Bible Inst., Alamo, Tenn., D.D.; Continuing Educ., Univ. of S.C.-Aiken and Oral Roberts Univ., Tulsa, Okla.; Mar. 3, 1953 m. Peggy C. Cato, 3 children, Garry R., Todd D., and Caroline M.; Comr., Beech

Island Rural Comm. Water Dist., 10 years; Bd. of Educ., Aiken Co., 6 years, VC, 4 years; former mem.: House Agric. and Natural Resources Com.; Labor, Commerce & Industry Com.; Property & Casualty Ins. Subcom.; Labor & Commerce Subcom.; mem.: Ways and Means Com.; Chm., K-12 & Special Schools-ETV; Econ. Dev.; other Taxes Subcoms.; Chm., House Ethics Com.; prev. serv. in House Mar. 7, 1989–09.



SOTTILE, F. Michael “Mike” [R]—(Dist. No. 112, *Charleston Co.*)—Independent Ins. Agent; residing at 132 Sparrow Dr., Isle of Palms; b. June 7, 1948 in Rock Hill; s. Frank J. and Tommie Lee Sottile; attended Baptist Coll. of Charleston; Sept. 17, 1977 m. Loraine Johnson, 1 child, Amy L.; Mayor, City of Isle of Palms, 2001–08; Councilman, City of Isle of Palms, 1990–01;

Bd. mem., Municipal Assn. of S.C., 2004–07; Bd. of Dirs., Independent Agents of S.C., 1986–89; Pres., Independent Ins.

Agents of Charleston, 1986; mil. serv.: USAF, 1968–72; prev. serv. in House 2009.

SPIRES, Lawrence Kit [R]—(Dist. No. 96, Lexington-Aiken Cos.)—Pharmacist and Pharmacy Owner; residing at 833 Forts Pond Trail, Pelion; *b.* Feb. 21, 1954 in Columbia; *s.* Lucoe and Cornelia Spires; 2 children, Kevin and Kristina; *g.* Univ. of S.C., Coll. of Pharmacy, B.S., 1976; Mayor *Pro Tempore*, Town of Pelion, 1999–03; Pelion Town Council, 1999–03; Lexington Med. Center, Bd. of Trustees, 1987–97; House Med., Mil., Public and Municipal Affairs Com., 2006–08; Rules Com., 2008–; VC, 3M Com.; prev. serv. in House 2007–09.



STAVRINAKIS, Leonidas Emmanuel “Leon” [D]—(Dist. No. 119, *Charleston Co.*)—Atty.; residing at 375 Meadow Breeze Lane, Charleston; *b.* Charleston; *g.* Coll. of Charleston, B.A., 1988; U.S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1992; Chm., Charleston Co. Council, 2005–06; Co. Council, 1999–06; Asst. Solicitor, 9th Circuit, 1993–96; prev. serv. in House 2007–09.



STEWART, James E., Jr. “Jim” [R]—(Dist. No. 86, *Aiken Co.*)—Commercial Gen. Contractor; residing at 584 Beaver Dam Rd., Aiken; *b.* Sept. 6, 1951 in Greenville; *s.* James E. and Ruth M. Stewart; *g.* Aiken High School; attended Clemson Univ.; Oct. 17, 1975 *m.* Sharon Leigh Dunn, 3 children, Joshua, Whitten, and Nathan; Pres., Aiken Jaycees, 1985–86; VC, Small Bus. Dev., Aiken Chamber of Commerce, 1995; Small Bus. Person of the Year, Aiken Chamber of Commerce, 1998; Chm., Bd. of Trustees, St. John’s United Methodist Church, 2001–03; Bd. of Dirs., Aiken Electric Cooperative; Wachovia Adv. Bd.; mem.: Aiken Amer. Bus. Club “Ambucs”; prev. serv. in House 2003–09.

